



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Knowing trees, I understand the meaning of patience. Knowing grass, I can appreciate persistence." ~Hal Borland

Aug. 14, 2013

PALS Volunteer Training – Aug. 24

People and Animal Learning Services (PALS) is offering a training for new volunteers from 1-4 p.m. on Sat. Aug. 24. Through PALS, volunteers help children and adults with disabilities learn how to ride horses. Responsibilities include leading horses and side-walking riders. Volunteers also groom, saddle, train, care for horses and help with barn chores. Volunteers must attend a training and be over age 16; horse experience is not necessary. A commitment of 3 to 4 hours per week requested. Please contact Annie Cornett at (812) 336-2798 ext. 6 or annie@palstherapy.org. (www.palstherapy.org)

Hoosier to Hoosier Community Sale – through Aug. 24

Be a part of one of Bloomington's largest community sales on Aug. 24! Hoosier to Hoosier (H2H) diverts reusable items during student move-out then sells them, raising funds for local organizations. Pre-sale volunteers sort and prepare donations most days from 9 a.m. to noon, 1-4 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. Merchandise Area Leaders organize specific things like books, clothing or bedding. On sale day, volunteers will be Talliers, Merchandise Area Specialists, Parking Assistants, and Loaders. Volunteering for H2H is fun, and you can shop too! Minimum age is 18. Please fill out this short form: http://www.indiana.edu/~sustain/hoosier_to_hoosier/volunteer.html or contact Jacqueline Bauer at h2h@indiana.edu or (812) 349-3837. (www.indiana.edu/~sustain)

Vision Screening Training - Aug. 25

Each year, the Lions Club and community volunteers offer free vision screening to area school children through the Salvation Army. On Aug. 25, volunteers will receive training on the Optec vision screening equipment. Screenings will then take place in the schools during the first three weeks of Sept. Minimum age is 18. To be a part of this rewarding volunteer opportunity, please contact Monica Clemons at (812) 339-3738 or clemons.mm@sbcglobal.net. (www.bloomingtoncentrallions.com)

Set Up Crawford Apartments - Aug. 30

Volunteers can help set-up 25 new apartments, housing individuals with disabilities who are chronically homeless, from 8 a.m. to noon or 1-5 p.m. on Fri. Aug. 30. The Crawford apartments provide permanent supportive housing and holistic services including employment, counseling, and health and wellness. It should take two to three people an hour to set-up each one, including unpacking and putting away household items such as towels, sheets, kitchen ware, toiletries, cleaning supplies, curtains, and small appliances. No furniture will be moved. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Leslie Abshier, LIFE Designs Community Development Officer, at (812) 332-9615 ext: 218 or labshier@lifedesignsinc.org by Monday, August 26th! (lifedesignsinc.org)

Open Streets Bloomington - Sept. 22

Open Streets Bloomington, held on Sept. 22, is a new initiative offering the enjoyment of walking, biking, and playing in the streets for an afternoon, experiencing a variety of sports demonstrations and interactive exhibits. Open Streets promotes healthy living and local businesses, as citizens are encouraged to get active as a community. Volunteer positions include hospitality, coordinating recycling, and staffing the 'Open Streets' booth. Volunteers will receive t-shirts and an invitation to a volunteer party following the event! Minimum age is 18. Please sign up at <http://openstreetsbloomington.com/volunteers/> or contact Jayne Piepenburg at (765) 418-9028 or info@openstreetsbloomington.com. (www.simplycsl.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Stone Belt Arc

In partnership with the community, prepares, empowers, and supports persons with developmental disabilities and their families. To grant a wish, contact Jana Lashbrook at communityengagement@stonebelt.org or (812) 332-2168 (2815 E. 10th St., www.stonebelt.org)

Wishes: sporting and arts event tickets, drums, art supplies, accessible athletic equipment, magazine subscriptions (children or adults), mini vans in good working condition

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

